

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 12 with the following amended paragraph:

An application that permits control configuration in an existing application can be utilized by third-party developers, and can be provided as a package to be installed at the discretion of an end-user. For example, the ~~Google~~ GOOGLE (GOOGLE is a trademark of ~~Google~~ Inc.) search engine uses a toolbar having a set of controls, specified in ~~JavaScript~~ the JAVASCRIPT language (JAVASCRIPT is a trademark of Sun Microsystems, Inc.), that invokes extension mechanisms within browsers, such as ~~Internet Explorer~~ INTERNET EXPLORER (INTERNET EXPLORER is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.) or ~~Netscape~~ NETSCAPE (NETSCAPE is a trademark of ~~Netsacpe~~ Communications). If the user chooses to install the toolbar into the browser, the ~~JavaScript~~ JAVASCRIPT language creates a new set of controls within an existing toolbar of the browser or hosting application.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 19 with the following amended paragraph:

There also exist application programs that install controls within other applications. An example of such a control is the Watson system developed at Northwestern University. As part of its installation, Watson adds new controls to several other application programs, including ~~Internet Explorer~~ INTERNET EXPLORER and ~~Microsoft Word~~ MICROSOFT WORD (MICROSOFT WORD is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.). These controls are configured by the Watson developers and are added only to a small set of known programs. The developers of Watson have explicitly coded the actions that are to be associated with each control.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 24 with the following amended paragraph:

A procedure capturer 106 registers 128 with the operating system 104 in order to receive notification 126 of the events 122 that are passed to application 102. Most modern operating systems facilitate the setting of “hooks,” which are callback registrations for particular types of events, see, e.g. ~~Microsoft Windows~~ MICROSOFT WINDOWS (MICROSOFT WINDOWS is a

trademark of Microsoft Corp.).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 3 with the following amended paragraph:

Still further, the phrase “network interface,” as used herein, is intended to include, for example, one or more transceivers to permit the computer system to communicate with another computer system via an appropriate communications protocol (e.g., HTTP/S Hypertext Transfer Protocol / over Secure Socket Layer (HTTP/S)).